

# Honolulu Star-Bulletin

RILEY H. ALLEN - - - - - EDITOR

THURSDAY.....OCTOBER 22, 1914.

Music is a kind of inarticulate unfathomable speech, which leads us to the edge of the infinite, and lets us for a moment gaze into that—Carlyle.

## WELL, HARDLY!

In spite of the laudable efforts of our morning friend to make this paper out guilty of violating neutrality yesterday, the Star-Bulletin has not been declared culpable and iniquitous by the collector of the port, as our contemporary seems to think. The enormous offense involved in a reporter's carrying a few papers of past dates to the captain of a warship off port as an act of courtesy might have a place in the crime category of some Gilbert & Sullivan opera, but hardly in the common-sense of an American official. It would be different had information been conveyed to assist a belligerent in naval operations. Nothing of the sort was done. The Hizen's operations were not affected by the receipt of the papers—could not be.

Neutrality covers a wide range, but not, Friend Tiser, the range of comic opera.

## DANGEROUS DISTORTION.

The present campaign of the Democrats on Oahu has probably never been excelled for distortion and befogging of issues.

Not even in 1912, when the Democrats were in the midst of their famous "banana campaign," did they resort to more desperate tactics than they are using today. A sample of their political policy is the manner in which they are twisting the local improvement law or frontage-tax issue. Night after night the Democratic orators tell the voters that this law is meant to take away the property of the poor man and give it to the rich man.

Another sample:

Yesterday afternoon over the signature of the Democratic campaign manager there appeared four pages of political advertising in the program of a local theater. It was headed "Kuhio for Governor—McCandless for delegate," and contained such stuff as this:

### VOTE THE STRAIGHT DEMOCRATIC.

"Kuhio for Governor."  
"McCandless for Delegate."  
"The Republican party has spent over \$50,000,000 in the last fifteen years and has bankrupted the Territory. Its bonds find no market. Part of this money has been used to bring in several thousand Filipinos, at the cost of \$766.30 per man, and thousands of Hawaiians have thus been deprived of work. The Democratic party demands the repeal of this law. The Republican party says 'suspend' operations thereunder for a while."  
"If you want to repeal this law you must vote the Democratic ticket."

"The Democratic party favors a law giving laborers at least \$2 a day. The Republican party believes in hiring Filipinos at 40 to 50 cents a day. Vote the straight Democratic ticket and protect yourselves and your families."

"VOTE THE STRAIGHT DEMOCRATIC."  
"Kuhio for Governor."  
"McCandless for Delegate."  
"The Democratic party believes that Hawaii should be controlled by Hawaiians with Kuhio as Governor. The Republican party believes that they should be controlled by the sugar interests with their servant Pinkham as Governor. With which do you agree?"

This remarkable political document did not reach the theater audiences for the sufficient reason that when its character became known to the management, it was too obnoxious to be tolerated.

Night after night from the stump Democratic speakers have been hurling personal abuse at Republican candidates. This is to be expected in the heat of political campaign—it is usually regarded as "part of the game"—but the tactics of the Bourbons seem nightly to be falling further and further into those of desperate and malicious perversion.

The sort of stuff the Democrats are using as campaign arguments ought to insure their defeat on November 3. It will insure their defeat if it becomes generally realized that an election success based on this kind of dangerous distortion gives indorsement to an open attack on the territory.

## REPUBLICANS OF OAHU PLANNING LIVELY RALLIES

A grand rally at Alhambra park, Fifth district, is to be given by the Republican meeting fixed for tonight. All the candidates are slated to speak.  
A meeting to be addressed by invited speakers from outside the ticket will be held at Wilder avenue and

## IN THE HANDS OF THE FOURTH DISTRICT

Honolulu's government for the next two years lies very largely in the hands of the Fourth district voters.

The Fifth district will, as always, cast a big vote at the polls in comparison to the registration. The indications are that the Republican ticket will be largely supported in the Fifth district. For instance, it is confidently predicted that John C. Lane will run well ahead of Joe Fern for mayor, and political observers firmly believe that William Henry will outpull Charles Rose for sheriff among the voters of this section. Likewise, Charles N. Arnold, one of the best men who has appeared for supervisor in a number of years, will draw strongly in the Fifth district.

The danger in the Fourth district is not that the normal Republican vote will go Democratic in any considerable body, but that it will not go at all—that there will be too much stay-at-home politics.

In the Fourth district also there is a large independent vote. It was this vote that helped oust the Republican board of supervisors two years ago. If that same vote is cast this year with the same vigor as it was cast in 1912, it would go to the Republican candidates for supervisor—in fact to practically the entire Republican ticket.

Political meetings in the Fourth district are being slimly attended. That is a pity, for a good opportunity would be given to compare the two different styles of campaigning—the Democratic and the Republican. The Democrats are long on promises of big wages, on vituperation, on twisting the facts. The Republicans discuss workmen's compensation, local improvements, a better police system, territorial accounts, the tariff. And yet to those who do not take the trouble to inform themselves, the Democratic campaign carries a "punch" because of its very noise and loud assertion.

One thing is as sure as the rising of the sun—the Fourth district must shake off its apparent apathy on election day if any improvement in municipal government is to be recorded in 1915 and 1916.

Jack London's remarkable human document, "John Barleycorn," is well worth seeing in moving-pictures at the Popular Theater this week. If there was ever a graphic argument against indulgence in drink, it is afforded by the sight of an unsuccessful struggle through boyhood and young manhood against the false comradeship of the bar and the saloon habitues. The spectacle of an aged, white-haired mother's anguish as her boy comes reeling drunkenly homeward brings a lump to the throat that no amount of whisky can wash down. London's power of depicting rough adventure in prose remains in the films. The pictures visualize a series of remarkable scenes.

Belgium may lose Louvain, Liege, Rheims, Brussels, Antwerp, Ostend and a hundred thousand men, but her reputation for splendid patriotism and true courage cannot be shattered by siege guns nor cut to pieces by saber.

Today's cable despatch from Tokio shows that Japan intends to watch Hawaiian waters pretty closely from this time on. The Hizen is evidently only part of the Japanese naval strength now in this vicinity.

Russia's complaint that her war losses are exaggerated by the enemy will not take attention from the fact that Russia seems to have been doing a little exaggerating herself.

"John Barleycorn" is aptly termed a story of the reels. There's a reel in every movement.

John D. Rockefeller, tanker, has been seized. However, the said John D. Rockefeller is a ship.

Panama street on Saturday evening. W. O. Smith, W. R. Castle, R. W. Brock and A. P. Judd will speak. A. P. Griffiths will preside.  
Tomorrow evening Republican meetings will be held at Ewa, Aiea and Waiapahu.  
On Saturday the Republican candidates at large and fifth district legislative candidates will go around the island, holding the closing rally of the trip at Laie at 7:30 p. m.  
Largely attended meetings were held last night at Punchbowl and Luau streets in the fourth, and Kamehameha IV road and Kaihiki road in the fifth district. Applause rewarded the efforts of all the speakers at every place.  
At the Wilder avenue meeting on

## Letters of TIMELY TOPICS

(The Star-Bulletin invites free and frank discussion in this column on all legitimate subjects of current interest. Communications are constantly received to which no signature is attached. This paper will treat as confidential signatures to letters if the writers so desire, but cannot give space for anonymous communications.)

### AN AMERICAN "ROOSEVELT-PROFESSOR" ABOUT THE WAR.

Editor Honolulu Star-Bulletin.

Dear Sir:—In the "Goetting Gazette," appearing at the old University town of Goettingen, Germany, Thomas C. Hall (New York), Exchange-professor of the University of Berlin, voices his opinion on the present war and I shall be glad if you will kindly open the columns of your esteemed paper to the following translation of Professor Hall's article.

Thanking you in anticipation and inclosing my card, I am, dear sir,

Yours faithfully, J. M.

"It is gross ignorance to declare that Austria-Hungary and Germany criminally kindled this terrible war. 'Both countries did NOT want the war, but Russia's inhuman aristocracy needed the war to delay the revolution in their own country which sooner or later had to come. And Great Britain's blind counselors wanted the war to hold their offices, to suppress the labor party and to satisfy the vile jealousy of a contemptible, ignorant class."

"Instead of beginning a noble competition in intellectual culture and accomplishments the so-called 'liberal' government have continued the detestable and narrow-minded policy of Edward VII and have tried—also with certain success—to isolate Germany through falsehood and political promises."

"In vain and with a heavy heart Kaiser Wilhelm and his advisers hoped unto the very last England might form a lasting friendship and restore the peace of the world."

"Months ago the German government knew of Great Britain's plans to strike together with France through Belgium at the Rhenish coal region (where the Krupp works are)."

"When writing this article the German army is storming that place in Belgium of which the German general staff knew that Great Britain had stored her ammunition there."

"The maintenance of Belgium's neutrality is only a hypocritical pretence. The general staff knew as a fact that France had mobilized her army before the declaration of war."

"But the Kaiser still would not believe that Great Britain played a false game. Germany was prepared to spare France and Belgium on condition that Great Britain remained neutral."

"England's refusal to lend her ear to this proposal is exactly such a detestable crime as Lord North's war against the American colonies, or the Crimean war or the Boer war."

"But this time the fruits of England's crime will be much more fatal. France deserves to be regretted. She has been involved into a war for which she has no enthusiasm. She will have to pay the bills and will fall to the ground, bloody and knocked to pieces."

"Every sign of national splintering in Germany has been carried away by the waves of popular feeling. For everybody looks at the war as a fight for the highest possessions of a great united nation and every man cheerfully offers his life to the common fatherland. No battle has been lost so far and all the plans of the general staff have been executed according to program."

"Irretrievably the terrible Nemesis advances to finish once and forever the mendacious plot, and Germany, we trust, will take the lead of Europe, united, firm and determined."

### UNDER STRESS OF EMOTION.

Editor Honolulu Star-Bulletin.

Sir:—During the last two weeks in August many American travelers and also many students from the universities left Germany. These Americans received a pamphlet entitled "Truth About Germany," facts about the war. The pamphlet was prepared by a board of editors among whom were great authors, members of the Reichstag and others. It was issued with the sanction of an "honorary committee," including men of highest distinction in German public affairs, finance, eminent scholars, great historians and philosophers. The pamphlet assumed to set forth all the facts just preceding the beginning of the war.

It was intended to impress Americans in regard to the German view of the great catastrophe. I cannot give the facts to their fullest extent in this pamphlet, but I select two or three as typical of the whole matter.

First. "This assassination is the

real cause of the present European war. Austria-Hungary was able to prove to a shuddering world a few days after the murder that it had been prepared and planned systematically—yes, that the Serbian government had been responsible for the plan."

Second. "Austria-Hungary addressed to the Serbian government a number of demands which aimed at nothing but the suppression of the anti-Austrian propaganda. Serbia was on the point of accepting the demands when there arrived a despatch from St. Petersburg, and Serbia mobilized. Then Austria had to act. Thus started the Austro-Serbian war."

Third. "Great Britain asked that Germany should allow French and Belgian troops to form on Belgian territory for a march against her own frontier. England and France were resolved not to respect the neutrality of Belgium. They did not give up their plans of attacking Germany through Belgium."

Fourth. "England aims at being mistress of the old world in order to occupy either an equal or a menacing position towards the new world. For this purpose she has encouraged this war."

Had this document been issued by an ordinary newspaper, in the excitement of the times, it would not be worth calling attention to; but when such a document is issued by the highest German thinkers, pretending to set forth the facts of the case, it is most extraordinary. It is unlike German procedure. Had these prominent men and investigators of history set forth their views about any facts in the history of Greece, or Rome or France or England or Germany, in times past, these facts would have been accepted by the learned world as final.

However, the whole pamphlet shows how impossible it is to get at the true facts occurring right under our noses when great emotion, and especially patriotic emotion, is called forth as it has been in this case. These prominent men must have had all the facts in the German, English, Austrian and Russian chancelleries, and it is a little perturbing to the ordinary well-informed man that such a document should have been issued over the names of men whose reputation is known the world over.

The whole thing teaches a lesson to those who are seriously interested in the facts of the case. The English and German "white papers" as set forth from the foreign offices of both countries are substantially the same. They only differ in the interpretation of the facts set forth. Each belligerent, under emotional, patriotic fervor, tries to make the best impression upon the world at large, and as I said before, these things would be somewhat excusable in popular publications, written hurriedly and for the uninformed public. Many of these so-called facts are either falsehoods or deliberate perversion of facts, and will have a tendency to injure rather than enhance the German side of the question.

The writer of this communication is neither pro-English, pro-German, pro-French, nor pro-Russian, but he is an honest seeker after all the facts which led up to the greatest disaster to humanity that has ever happened upon this earth.

VERITAS.

## NATAL DAY OF KAISERIN IS QUIETLY KEPT

At 8 o'clock this morning a burst of color illumined the waterfront—the bedecking of the craft in port with flags in honor of the birthday of the empress of Germany, the Kaiserin Victoria.

As the little cruiser Geier sent aloft her gay colors, the U. S. S. Albatross flags also went up and soon the harbor shipping was bright with bunting. No salute was fired by the Geier, as was originally contemplated, as the vessel lay at a wharf and the harbor authorities felt that under these circumstances the guns should not be used.

The Kaiserin was the Princess Augusta Victoria of Schleswig-Holstein-Sonderburg-Augustenburg. She was born on October 22, 1858, and was married to the Kaiser on February 27, 1881. They have seven children, six sons and a daughter.

Throughout the city the Germans observed, though in a quiet way, the birthday of their beloved empress.

Vice-President Marshall celebrated his 19th wedding anniversary.

## For Sale

The opportunity to purchase a modern bungalow in the Makiki district, near Oahu College, does not present itself every day.

We have for sale the Swastika Bungalow at 1820 Anapuni street, close to the Oahu College, Plaza Hotel, and St. Clement's Chapel. Car line only two blocks away. Lot 70x108. Rooms large, airy and pleasant. Large stone lanai, drawing room, dining room, two bedrooms. House is partly furnished. Servants' quarters in the yard. Yard tastefully planted with fruit trees and foliage plants. Good title.

Guardian Trust Co., Ltd.

Stangenwald Building, Merchant St.

USE "Shaded Grecian" engraving for your new cards—and let your cards be the new panel-led ones.

Wichman & Co.,  
Jewellers.

## PYTHON, 22 FEET LONG, IS GIVEN FREEDOM OF THE PORT

At Least E. M. Ehrhorn Decides That Reptile May Stay on Board Ship Under Guard

A live East Indian python 22 feet long, nearly a foot in diameter and beautifully striped in green, blue and brown hues, lies coiled in a huge box aboard the German freighter Holstia at Alakea wharf, an attraction that is drawing scores of Honolulu people to the big tramp vessel since the ship's arrival here October 12 from the Far East.

Incidentally the python has been the subject of considerable deep thought on the part of territorial antomological officials, who until today have been in doubt whether duty demanded they kill the serpent or leave it on board. It was announced this morning, however, that Superintendent E. M. Ehrhorn had decided it would be long as it is kept on the ship and a careful watch maintained over the box in which it is confined.

The python is the property of one of the ship's crew, who purchased it recently at Singapore, paying \$65 for the privilege of owning the creature. He said he had expected to sell it in Japan, but the outbreak of war prevented the sale. He had expected to dispose of it here, but finding that impossible, is displaying a shrewd readiness to exhibit it to all visitors, receiving a small fee from his audience.

Though there is a strict law against the landing of snakes or any members of the reptile family in these islands it is said by officers of the department of antomology that if the python should escape here it would not prove dangerous and would not live any length of time. Moreover, it probably would quickly fall prey to the mongoose, a pest of the islands but which is also a guarantee against snakes because it is their deadly enemy.

The python's owner said this morning he had not fed his pet for about three weeks, its last meal being a 10-pound duck, which was fed it alive. It simply coiled about the bird and crushed it to death, then swallowed it whole. The owner now wants to purchase a good-sized dog, duck or goose, which will maul the python in approved style. Whether curiosity-seekers will be permitted to witness this operation has not been decided. Possibly the Humane Society will have a word to say on this point.

Another member of the Holstia crew is the owner of a number of unique birds, which also are detained aboard the vessel by the territorial authorities.

The question of the paying tent on Pier 1, outer harbor, Hilo, will be taken up for discussion at a special meeting of the members of the Board of Harbor Commissioners which has been called for 7:30 o'clock this evening. The commission intends holding night sessions until it catches up in its work.

## Buy Half a Lot

Then we'll furnish the money to pay for the other half and build you a pretty house. You can pay us on easy monthly installments.

Come and learn further particulars about our monthly payment plan of owning a home in the Makiki Tract, near Wilder and Piikoi streets.

Trent Trust Co.

818-820 Fort Street  
Between King and Merchant

## Initial Friendship-Circle Scarf Pins Have You Seen Them?

VIETNA JEWELRY CO., LTD. 115 HOTEL ST.

## "Waterhouse Trust"

### HOUSES FOR RENT FURNISHED

2336 Oahu Ave., Manoa ..... 4 bedrooms..... \$35.00  
Cottage Adams Lane, City ..... 3 bedrooms..... 50.00  
1261 Center Ave., Kaimuki ..... 2 bedrooms..... 35.00  
Cottage, rear of 1942 King ..... 2 bedrooms..... 35.00  
1554 Fifth Ave., Kaimuki ..... 3 bedrooms..... 35.00

### UNFURNISHED

770 Kinau St. .... 3 bedrooms..... \$32.50  
1518 Beretania St. .... 2 bedrooms..... 25.00  
3015 Lanikulu Drive ..... 2 bedrooms..... 40.00  
1339 Wilder Ave. .... 3 bedrooms..... 40.00  
1128 Wilder Ave. .... 2 bedrooms..... 35.00  
1231 Matlock Ave. .... 2 bedrooms..... 32.50  
1223 Matlock Ave. .... 3 bedrooms..... 37.50  
1328 Kinau St. .... 3 bedrooms..... 35.00  
1345 Wilder Ave. .... 2 bedrooms..... 40.00  
Cottage in rear of 2051 Lanikulu Drive ..... 2 bedrooms..... 27.50  
1126 King St. .... 5 bedrooms..... 50.00  
Cor. Lanikulu Drive and McKinley Ave., College Hills ..... 3 bedrooms..... 45.00  
Lanikulu Drive, near Oahu Ave., College Hills ..... 2 bedrooms..... 41.00  
One large room, 2d floor Central Bldg., King St. .... 35.00  
Cor. Koko Head and Palolo Ave., Waimuki ..... 4 bedrooms..... 45.00

## "Waterhouse Trust"

Cor. Fort and Merchant Sts.